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Wallace talks rebid, people at open forum

By Peter Rejcek
Associate Editor

No matter who's running the main logistical and technical contracts in the future, business at USAKA and the range will be different as the installation evolves and modernizes.

That was one of many messages relayed by Raytheon Site Manager John Wallace at a company open forum Wednesday night. Wallace wasted little time before jumping into the hottest topic of the last year: The rebid for the KLS and IRE contracts.

"There are going to be changes no matter who wins," Wallace said.

Raytheon is competing with a team of Lockheed and Bechtel as well as Northrop Grumman for the contracts. The government has done its initial review of the bids and returned questions to the contractors, who have about three weeks to respond and clarify their positions, according to Wallace.

A government team will then be reassembled to evaluate the answers. A second round of questions
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(Photo by KW Hillis)

New-found harmony

Women from Majuro, Ebeye and Kwajalein, including, from left, Gina Hubshman, Nika Wase, Maryanne Lane, Lynda Golly (at piano), Jeanne Cummings (in back), Queen Clanry and Patty Potts, join together for singing and fellowship Sunday night at the home of Sheila Wrenn. The various women's clubs spent the weekend getting to know each other. See page 3 for full story.

Air travel remains a bumpy prospect

By KW Hillis
Feature Writer

Get proper documentation and book early if you are going off-island this summer, advised Maj. Matt Reed, USAKA Logistics and Community Ac-

tivities Directorate chief, during the Kwajalein Community Team Building meeting Tuesday night.

Reed outlined required travel documentation and gave other travel tips to
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(Photo by Barbara Johnson)

Elizabeth Keck, left, joins Dr. Tamara Hunt for some puppetry lessons last week in Gina Bennett's class.

Hunt combines puppets and education

By Barbara Johnson
Feature Writer

The only rule was, "Make it uniquely yours." And students from kindergarten through sixth grade followed it faithfully, as they created their own puppets at school last week.

Dr. Tamara Hunt, visiting artist in residence from the University of Hawaii, began each class by sharing some of her own puppets, using apron stages she invented, designed and made. From each apron almost magically appeared

bears, ducks, birds, Mother Goose characters and a very hungry caterpillar, to name just some of the many surprises waiting inside her deep pockets.

On separate lap boards that served as an ocean, a bed or trees, the hand and finger puppets played out familiar stories, songs and rhymes, with the students often taking the part of a character as well.

Hunt even played Little Miss Muffet herself, using a student volunteer to place a huge spider

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We may have to grow up, but some things should not change

By Rochelle Santorum (Cunningham)

You've heard it tons of times while on Kwaj: "Some things never change."

Well, that can be the case when you're talking about certain things. For instance, that ingredient you've been waiting for at Surfway, or a necessity from Macy's or Macy's West that has been out of stock ... "is on the next barge." What about the blue-green water on the calmest of days? Isn't it always beautiful? Same thing goes for the AMC bringing produce and mail — it's delayed *another 24 hours*. These things are always bound to happen here.

On the other hand, there are a lot of things about Kwaj that have changed.

I remember when I used to have to hike up a stairwell on the back side of the snack bar to go to "Macy's East" to look at toys. You know that slab of concrete next to the family pool? Well, that used to be our "teen center," with a snack bar included for our eating pleasure.

George Seitz used to have a cool little hallway that went from the playground through toward KAPS. That's where I used to play "2-square" at recess. Since then, the elementary school has been re-done, as well as many other buildings around here — modernization through time. These changes are OK.



Growing up here was quite an experience. I have to say that I remember a lot of fun things that happened since I was in elementary school. Anywhere you are throughout your life, you hit milestones; however, the ones on Kwaj can be unique.

When I was in elementary school I had to be home when the six o'clock siren went off (which is still the case today with many families).

In 7th and 8th grade, I progressed and was allowed to stay out a little later — if I had a very legitimate excuse. At 15, I was allowed to get a boat license (and I didn't even have to get a permit). Finally, the day came when I was actually allowed to stay out on a Saturday night (before the date line change) and go to the 9:30 movie at the Rich!

Whenever I think about what it was like growing up here, I feel lucky. We didn't get into any (big) trouble; we made our own fun, and we roamed the island looking for things to do. We got very creative at times. We tended to get bored occasionally, seeing that it's an atmosphere lacking in super-duper fun night-life. But in the end, we always had the Rich movie theater as a gathering point. What would we do if we didn't have a place to go and hang out?

At the Rich theater, we could talk amongst ourselves and act like kids do. We could sit comfortably and hang out with our friends. I'm not so sure we really cared that the movie was old — most of us hadn't seen it yet anyway.

We never went to the Yuk theater. Sometimes we weren't allowed if the movie was "R" rated, and other times we couldn't handle having to sit still and actually not talk and watch the movie. The benches were way too hard, and it was hot in there. Grown-ups always told us to "shut-up" (their words exactly).

I'm still here on Kwaj, after many more changes have taken place. I'm an adult now, and I can say that I haven't been to the Yuk theater in over 15 years. It's still not a place I like to go.

I have my own daughter now, and she'll probably never go. First of all, I think she's too short to see past big heads, and another reason would be the confinement. I think the Rich theater is the perfect place for anyone to go and watch a movie.

I'm wondering who would want to close it? Whoever made this decision must not really know what it's like for kids here. Do they have children of their own. Did they experience firsthand what it's like being 16 on Kwaj? Do they have another option for the teens and families with smaller children?

I think this issue needs to be discussed in more detail, with the people that it will affect. A handful of decision-makers need to look more at the impact [to] the community, rather than the budget. This would be a bad change.

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Aggies gather to remember those who have died

Former students of Texas A&M University gathered with their friends and family at Coral Sands Beach on April 21 for the annual Texas Aggie Muster. They gathered together in remembrance of their fellow Aggies who have passed away within the last year.

A Texas-style BBQ was enjoyed by all in attendance.

Texas Aggies around the world pride themselves on their undying loyalty and devotion to the university. This strong sense of self-pride is embodied within all Aggies and is rooted in the traditions of

Texas A&M University. The tradition of Aggie Muster is more than 100 years old and spans the globe, with approximately 350 Musters held worldwide this year.

Muster is much more than a solemn remembrance of those who have passed. Muster is a special time during the year that Aggies throughout the world unite in spirit to renew their loyalty and devotion, not only to the Aggie family, but the endless Aggie spirit as well.

Thanks,
Lou Askew, '70

Women's clubs find fellowship across the ocean

By KW Hillis
Feature Writer

It just took a little while for the visitors from Majuro and Ebeye to get to know their Kwajalein counterparts.

"As the weekend went on [the women] became more relaxed," said Dianne Tarnstrom, Yokwe Yuk Women's Club president. "You need exposure to other people to become more comfortable."

The annual Cultural Exchange Weekend is designed to promote cultural understanding, she said. The women's clubs of Majuro sent 22 women, each representing a different club, to Kwajalein. The event's location alternates each year between Majuro and Kwajalein.

"It brings two peoples together," said Carmen Bigler, Women United Together Marshall Islands president. "The Americans are on one side and the Marshallese are on the other side. But when we have these exchanges, it promotes understanding."

Welcomed with candy leis and a spread of sandwiches, salads and desserts by YYWC food chairperson Jeanne Cummings and her crew at the airport's entry/exit, guests greeted American friends made last year at the cultural exchange held on Majuro. The rest of the first day was filled with a tour of the island, a welcoming briefing by USAKA commander Col. Curtis L. Wrenn Jr. and a potluck at Tarnstrom's home.

At a gathering Saturday night, Kwajalein members performed the "chicken dance" and a modified version of "This Land is Your Land," said Sue Rosoff, YYWC member. The Marshallese women then sang and danced for their



(Photos by KW Hillis)

Kwaj resident Sue Rosoff, middle, joins guitar player Nika Wase and ukulele player Queen Clanry from Majuro in singing rounds of "Row, Row, Row Your Boat" as part of the weekend festivities.

hosts.

"We only practiced once," Rosoff jokingly said, pointing out that the Marshallese were so much better at singing and dancing because they "practiced all the time."

On Sunday, a hands-on craft fair including basket weaving, picture frame-making and a stained glass demonstration helped the visitors become even more familiar with their hosts and their way of life.

"I made my first basket today," Bigler said, adding that she was most impressed with Shigeiko Jackson, who

turns beer and soda can plastic holders into flowers.

"What is good about that is it makes a very pretty flower and at the same time it's like saving the environment," Bigler said.

By Sunday evening's dinner and gift exchange, held at Sheila Wrenn's home, 50 women greeted each other as old friends and immediately started singing.

Crowding around the piano, played alternatively by YYWC member Lynda Golly and Majuro's *Jirikkake* Club president Nika Wase, the ladies sang popular American and Marshallese songs. Near the end of the evening, the Kwaj women deposited their gifts in a pile on the floor while singing, "Make new friends and keep the old; one is silver and the other gold."

Tarnstrom said the exchange was the best one ever. "There was so much interaction.

"[Thank you for] the fun you have given us and how you have opened our eyes to new things," she told the visitors.

Leiroj Neimata Kabua, translated by Bigler, said, "From the bottom of our hearts, I'd like to thank you, the ladies of Kwajalein Atoll, because you have recognized us with love."

Sylvia Notarianni, Cris Lindborg and Darlene Korok, left to right, perform an impromptu dance to a Marshallese song during the a cultural exchange event at Sheila Wrenn's home Sunday night.



Award for KLS, IRE contracts should be June ...

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could follow, Wallace said, but that's unlikely. Each bidder must then do an oral presentation of its proposed management plan and Marshallese training plan.

At this point, the process appears on schedule, according to Wallace. "We expect an award in June," he said.

Phase-in would then begin July 1, with the new contract to begin Oct. 1, meaning employees would be issued new employment contracts, regardless of who wins. Any protests after the bid is awarded could affect these dates.

While still unable to delve into specifics at this point in the process, Wallace reiterated that business is and will be changing as the command moves forward with its Vision 2015 plan. Vision 2015 is the long-range plan for the range.

"What the proposals are centered on is what the future is going to look like," he explained. The future involves a smaller workforce, with fewer accompanied positions and a focus on "maximizing" the Marshallese workforce. Developmental and research jobs are being moved to CONUS whenever it makes fiscal sense, Wallace said.

"If we don't get cost-competitive, the future [of the

range] is in jeopardy," he added.

Wallace said most of the workforce reductions will be done through attrition. The exodus is already underway, with a peak of PCS moves expected this summer, he said, adding that the doomsday sentiments are exaggerated. "People are making things out to be worse than what I think they will be."

With a shrinking number of accompanied positions anticipated, the company actually put a moratorium on hiring accompanied personnel last year. While Wallace said that freeze will likely end once the contract is awarded, a baseline criteria for housing will be established under the new contract.

About five trailers a year are being phased out as they become too expensive to maintain, which reduces the number of family quarters available. With a higher percentage of unaccompanied employees projected, the short-term solution is to use hard housing, some of which is currently being used to house TDY personnel, Wallace said. "You've got to use the assets you have."

During the meeting, Andrea Dixon, Human Resources representative, handed out answers to about 70 questions employees had

about the rebid process, from contract renewals to benefits. Those questions and answers, compiled over the last several months, can be found at the Human Resources office.

Responding to customers

Surveys, a way of life at USAKA the last couple of years, are also changing the way business is done, Wallace said. Specifically, the company is responding to last fall's employee surveys.

Wallace said the numbers were disappointing but useful. "Surveys are very important to us ... We use [the information]."

Areas of concern include communication, career development, employee empowerment and training. In response, People Teams were formed. The People Teams, one from Roi and one from Kwaj, are made up of voluntary employees seeking to address some of the problems. They presented their ideas to the senior management, which will respond to the teams in the near future.

One of the recurring themes is training, Wallace said. Unfortunately, he added, during a budget crunch that's one of the first areas cut — but that can't continue to happen. "We have to do right by our people."

Communication is another

area targeted for improvement. A Raytheon newsletter will be started to keep employees informed about company issues and benefits, many of which are not well-publicized or known, Wallace said. For example, dues for professional organizations are paid for by the company.

Looking up and ahead

Some improvements have already been done, Wallace noted. Departments like Human Resources and Finance have either extended hours, now keep their doors open during lunch or both. The hours at retail stores have been extended. A coffee kiosk was moved into the Sunrise Bakery, and a new electronic meal card system was installed at Café Pacific.

"All these little things make a difference," he said.

The salary plans for employees have been submitted, and there will be raises. A and B package employees will receive their new salaries in May.

Life after Kwaj is another question the company is addressing, Wallace said. More help will be available for employees who want to PCS but remain with Raytheon. While many of the jobs in the company are in the engineering industry, other opportunities are available.

"Kwajalein is not forever," Wallace said.

Paige: Aegis cruiser to be used in future missile defense tests

(Defense Daily, April 24) The Missile Defense Agency plans to incorporate an Aegis cruiser in the next flight test in the Ground-based Midcourse Defense program this summer, said Rear Adm. Kathleen Paige, MDA's technical director.

MDA will be free to use the Aegis as part of the test after the official U.S. withdrawal from the ABM treaty goes into effect after June 13, Paige noted.

During the next flight test, the Aegis cruiser will be used in an "off-mode" role to the GMD system to collect target track data, Paige said at a seminar on missile defense sponsored by the Lexington Institute.

Also at the seminar, Army Lt. Gen. Joseph Cosumano, commanding general of the Army Space and Missile Defense Command, suggested when the United States is free

from the treaty that more thought be given to building additional interceptor sites in the United States beyond the test bed now being built at Fort Greely, Alaska.

"The mindset of one site needs to go away with the ABM treaty," Cosumano said. And, systems like the Lockheed Martin Theater High Altitude Area Defense, which may have been limited in capability by the treaty, also should be incorporated into the GMD program to a greater degree, Cosumano added.

During the upcoming flight test using Aegis, the primary objective will be to collect metric track data on the multi-stage target, Paige said. Data also will be examined to evaluate performance of the communications architecture and ability to transmit Aegis-generated messages, she added.

Summer travel expected to be busier than normal ...

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help residents to plan their summer travel.

Documentation required for travel

Proof of citizenship and proof of identification are required to leave Kwajalein, Reed said.

A passport is the best form of documentation because it meets both requirements.

Aloha requires a passport, but Continental is less strict.

If a passport is not available, then some proof of citizenship such as a birth certificate or even a gun permit will do, he said. A Continental passenger without a passport must also have proof of identification such as a driver's license, a K- or C-badge or any government-issued picture ID. Continental, RSE travel or the USAKA Legal office can help determine what documentation is legal.

Children, even traveling with parents, need similar documentation.

"We just denied boarding to someone on Aloha last month and Continental last week because they were going back to the states with a child without documentation," said Yvonne Duarte, Continental Travel Office site manager.

"A lot of people are getting passports," she said.

Contractors and their family members can get a passport free of charge. Shortly after Sept. 11, the government agreed to reimburse the contractor for passports, Reed said. The process takes about 30 to 45 days.

Military personnel and their depen-

dents can travel on their military identification and a set of orders, he added.

Booking early

"I feel that the missions will certainly affect summer travel," Reed said. "The sooner you book the better."

Traveling this summer will be particularly difficult, Duarte said. Many airlines have consolidated their flights and seats are filling up from Honolulu onward.

She expects the commercial carriers to be completely booked within a week or two for the flights around the last day of school, June 7, and warns that the TDY people arriving and departing this summer will book many of the seats.

"People waiting a long time to decide [and book] are taking a big risk," said Tammy Larkin, RSE Travel agent.

As of now, there are no plans to add additional flights, but that may change if the need is known ahead of time, Reed said.

Security checks at airports

"If you buy one-way tickets, you may be automatically selected [for a security check]," Reed said. "It sends a flag up."

Other security flags include someone who has "an odd name," buys a ticket and uses it the same day or arrives late for a flight, he said.

He reminded travelers not to take any sharp or other banned objects in their carry-on baggage. For a list of banned objects, residents can call Continental or RSE travel offices.

Bumped

Both commercial airlines have a bumped plan, Reed said. Continental will compensate passengers on the spot if they're bumped or if they volunteer to take a later flight.

Aloha does not pay on the spot, he said. Instead, Aloha's home office will determine what compensation, if any,

is due the bumped traveler.

Although Aloha has to "abide by the same rules that the rest of the airlines do ... they can structure their payment plans," Reed said, explaining that Aloha is one of the few airlines not to receive federal funds, even after Sept. 11.

Travelers on ATI's DC-8, which services Kwaj on Tuesdays and Thursday, will be put up if the delay includes an overnight stay.

"Even flying Space A, once you're a passenger, they take care of you like a regular passenger," he said.

There is no compensation at all for those bumped off of AMC's C-141 flight, with service on Saturdays.

Checking in for flights

"If you are late for the flight [on Kwajalein], they may not board you," he said. "If you call beforehand and say 'I'm running late,' they will try to accommodate you."

The local flight departure/arrival recording, 53589, is updated to reflect the most current information, he said. The international flight schedule that lists the scheduled flight arrivals and departures, baggage check-in times and pertinent phone numbers, can be picked up from RSE Travel Office, the Commercial Airline Services office at the terminal and on the KLS Aviation public folder.

Aloha is a little stricter about passengers bringing in their baggage and reporting to the gate on time, since they build their manifest in Honolulu.

Reed reminded travelers coming in through Hickam Air Force Base to check in with their representative, either Ken McLemore, if contractor, or Buddy Waggoner, if government.

The key is to know your flight's departure time, the time you need to be at the gate and have the proper documentation in hand, no matter what airport you are flying out of, Reed said.



Maj. Matt Reed

Obituary

Matthew C. McCarthy of Alexandria, Va., died April 9.

McCarthy was a former Kwajalein resident, whose last tour was from 1997-1999 as an electrician at the Kwajalein and Roi-Namur power plants.

He was a 1973 graduate of George Mason High School and an electrician (IBEW). He was the son of Alice D. McCarthy and the late Charles E.

McCarthy.

Other survivors include siblings Brigitte M. Sebring, Carolyn J. Megee, Mary M. Biniek and Christopher A. McCarthy; two nieces and three nephews.

Family requests that contributions be made to: The St. Jude's Childrens Research Hospital, 505 N. Parkway, Box 3704, Memphis, TN 38103.

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Letters to the editor should be less than 300 words; keep your comments to the issues. This would be a no-libel zone. Letters must be signed. We will edit for AP Style and, if you exceed the word limit, space. Please limit yourself to one letter every 30 days, to give other readers a chance to write.

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Basketball Schedule

Time Teams Court
(Key: CRC; BRD, Brandon Basketball Court)

Saturday

6:30 p.m. ... I. Delight/Brickdaddies CRC
7:30 p.m. ... Sp I Men/Barracudas CRC

Monday

4:30 p.m. ... Island Girls/Sp I Women CRC
5:30 p.m. ... D. Dribble/Sp II Women CRC
6:30 p.m. ... I. Delight/Angels 2 QOP CRC
7:30 p.m. ... Brickdaddies/Ballaz CRC

Tuesday

5 p.m. Sp II Men/Sp III Men CRC
5:30 p.m. ... LI-Kabotak/Jabro Girls BRD
6 p.m. Navigators/Renegades CRC
6:30 p.m. ... Lady Doves/Sp III Women BRD
7 p.m. Air Mail/Angels 1 QOP CRC

Wednesday

5:30 p.m. ... WD40/Sp I Women CRC
6:30 p.m. ... Geriatrics/Mavericks CRC
7:30 p.m. ... The Girls/SP I Men CRC

Thursday

5:30 p.m. ... Jabro Girls/SDA Trojans BRD
5:30 p.m. ... Sp II Men/Calvary Men CRC
6:30 p.m. ... LDS Men/SDA Trojans CRC
7:30 p.m. ... Jabro Boys/Sp III Men CRC

Friday

5:30 p.m. ... Island Girls/WD40 CRC
6:30 p.m. ... Angels 1 QOP/Winak CRC
7:30 p.m. ... Barracudas/Mavericks CRC

Youth Baseball Schedule

Time Teams Court
(CRC; BRD-Brandon; RAG-Ragan; DAL-Dally)

Saturday

5:15 p.m. ... Blue Angels/H. Girls RAG
6 p.m. Reds/Jatutu BRD

Monday

10 a.m. Rescue Heroes/Rugrats CRC
10:45 a.m. ... Dragonales/C. Friends CRC

Tuesday

5:15 p.m. ... Cardinals/Rangers RAG
5:15 p.m. ... Blue Angels/Jabro Girls BRD
6:30 p.m. ... Diamondbacks/Reds BRD

Thursday

5:15 p.m. ... Huntsville Stars/Cardinals BRD
5:30 p.m. ... Reds/Jabro Boys DAL
5:30 p.m. ... Pirates/Mariners RAG
6 p.m. Marlins/Padres RAG
6 p.m. Diamondbacks/Jatutu BRD

Call the Sports Hotline at 54190
for the latest updates.

Leonard wins Kalawe tourney

By Carol Sword
Contributing Writer

Shane Leonard won the seventh annual Larry Kalawe Memorial Golf Tournament at Roi-Namur Sunday.

Leonard, a Roi resident, also won for the tournament's best front nine, with John Finely scoring the best back nine on the course.

There were several other winners in the tournament. Andy Frase won the for the men's long drive and the closest to the pin. Amanda Reed won for the women's long drive.

In the overall scores, Yvonne Duarte and Amanda Reed tied for fourth place; Stan McMurtrie placed third; Finley placed second; and Leonard's first-place finish with 49 points will land his name on a plaque listing all of the tournament's annual overall winners.

The Stableford format was used to score the tournament. The system assigns five points for an eagle, three for a birdie, two for par and one for a bogey. The golfer with the highest points is the overall winner.

There were 57 participants in the tournament, and 37 of them flew from Kwajalein to play in the competition.

"A lot of coordination was needed to make the tournament a success," said Jim Corbett, a player and organizer for the Roi-Namur Country Club-sponsored tourney. "We had to arrange transportation, housing, meals and activities. It was a community effort."

One of the volunteers was Keith Fullerton, who drove the beverage cart around the course.

"I had more fun talking to the golfers than playing, because I didn't have to worry about my score," Fullerton said.

Many of the golfers commented about the beautiful condition of the course.

Lloyd Jordan, a player and former tournament winner from Kwaj, noticed the improvements.

"The greens never looked better," Jordan noted. "Last night's rain helped, but the real credit goes to Christy Pappas-Drabek and her staff for all the work they've done."

"I couldn't have done it without the help of Lee Taidrik, Stanny Erakdrik and Larry Lanki," added Pappas-Drabek, Roi Community Activities superintendent.

Willie Ng, a 2000 tournament winner, not only played in this year's competition but catered the event. He provided steaks, baked potatoes and baked beans for the participants

and their guests. His wife Anne assisted with cooking hot dogs and hot links before the steaks arrived. Tom Drabek served as chef.

Larry Roberts, RNCC president, skipped playing this year due to a wrist injury. This was the first time that he'd ever missed playing, but he was kept busy with tracking the scores. The numbers were given to Frase, the scorekeeper, who put the information into a computer and printed the results. He used a spreadsheet that he and his wife Pam had developed for the scoring.

Many of the winners generously returned their winnings to the tournament fund, which is being donated to the Kwajalein Shriner's Club, which sends Marshallese children off-island for medical treatment. A total of \$2,700 was raised in donations and tournament fees.

"It's a good cause in a good man's name," Leonard said, referring to Larry Kalawe, for whom the tournament is named.



Shane Leonard

Name new 'Beetle Bailey' character and win free airline tickets

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — Mort Walker is adding a new character to his famous comic strip "Beetle Bailey," and you can win a pair of airline tickets by coming up with a name for the new character.

The new character is an "always prepared, gadget-loving and quirky information technology officer."

Entries for the "Name the Tech Officer" contest must be received by 4 p.m. on May 20.

Judges will select 12 winners. The winning entrant will receive a pair of Northwest Airlines tickets, good for any destination in the company's continental U.S. system. Second- and third-place winners will receive one Northwest Airlines ticket. All top 12 entrants will receive original "Beetle Bailey" artwork.

For contest information, rules and a peek at the new comic character, visit www.beetlebailey.com.

A FAMILY AFFAIR

Rustman attracts moms, dads and kids as teams and competitors

By KW Hillis
Feature Writer

Participation in the Rustman triathlon demands focus, practice and a lot of sweating. When family members enter, it can also involve some friendly competition.

"[My wife] Ann beat me last year, so it was the big joke at work," said Kevin Cohen. "It was good that Ann did so well, but after last year I wanted to get in better shape."

At least 10 families on Kwajalein have more than one member preparing for the 23rd Annual Rustman Triathlon on April 29, said Bob Sholar, Kwaj Running Club president and Rustman organizer.

"I really don't know who is entering yet, since most of the registration forms will be dropped off at my house right at the deadline [April 25]," he said.

Since people can enter as individual athletes or as part of a team, some families, like Quentin and Jeff Parker, have formed their own team. She will perform the swimming leg from Echo Pier to Emon Beach, and he is preparing for the 42-kilometer bike ride followed by the 10-kilometer run.

Other families won't participate together. Ray Fogg is entering individually while his son, 12-year-old Ben, will perform the swimming leg on a student team. Skip and Beverly Schmidt will each be responsible for the biking leg, on separate teams.

"It's notable when both the husband and wife do the whole event as individual participants; that is pretty rare," Sholar said. He said he knows of at least two couples, the Cohens and DeAnn and Bill Brower, who will be competing individually.

The Cohens also have the rare distinction of having a third family member competing. Fourteen-year-old Max will perform the biking leg for a student team consisting of Ben Fogg and runner Chris Berlind, 13. Berlind's father, Brian, will be competing individually.

Last year, Chris Berlind said he was on a team with his dad and a friend from school.



(Photo by KW Hillis)

Last weekend, 15-year-old Jonathon Miller practices swimming from Emon Beach to Echo Pier and back again for Monday's Rustman. Miller and his mother, Dotty, are both performing the swimming leg of the event, but for different teams.

"I was thinking about having [my dad] on my team this year, but he decided to do it himself, so I got a team together," Berlind said.

Flexibility in meeting family demands and getting workouts in is a key to being ready for the event, DeAnn Brower said.

"The dinner schedule doesn't work out so well," she said. "A lot of days I bike the six laps in the morning and run six miles at night. I've also been doing the lagoon swim." All that exercise is squeezed in with accompanying the Brower's six-year-old Evan and seven-year-old Eric to their sports games.

Although most of the participants are involved in sports and activities that keep them in good shape year-round, the adult participants said that more exercise is needed to prepare for Monday's event.

"I knew when I came here and heard about the race, I knew I'd want to do it," DeAnn Brower said. "That [first] year I didn't know how to swim. I couldn't have done the whole thing. Once I learned, I wanted to do it all by myself."

This will be the first year the Browsers have competed against each other as individual participants.

"I think I'll be ahead of him on the swim, but I'll probably wave at him as he passes on the bike," said DeAnn Brower, who just started training hard in February. "He has been biking all year, but he hasn't even trained for the

swimming."

Donna and Brett Barracough and their three-year-old daughter just arrived from Brazil in January. They are already juggling their schedules to find enough time to prepare for the endurance test on Monday.

"My husband is doing the whole thing ... I'm doing it as a team. I'm going to do the running part," Donna Barracough said. "[My team is] all new at it; we are like the triathlon virgins; maybe we'll call ourselves that."

The teen participants don't seem to worry as much about getting in shape.

"I had been training for a month and a half and [Max and I] went out on our bikes together," Ann Cohen said. "I said to him 'Now don't get discouraged, I've been training for a while.' He takes off and leaves me in the dust."

Some family members are already thinking about next year's Rustman.

"I'm thinking about doing the entire Rustman next year, but haven't decided yet," Chris Berlind said. "My dad says if I train enough, I can do it."

That support and encouragement is the biggest plus to having another family member compete, according to the Cohens.

"It's good to have someone to bike with and encourage you," Max Cohen said.

Kevin Cohen added, "I've been taking guff for a year. I'm going to try a little harder, but I'm still betting on Ann."

Hunt applies 30 years of drama experience to classroom ...

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on her shoulder, making her shriek.

Then, giving each student a sock, eyes and a mouth, a myriad of scraps and access to a glue gun, Hunt asked them to create their own puppet, and "make it uniquely yours."

"For me with young children it's the creative process, the ability to do something that's very individualized, and the ability to verbalize, to develop language arts activities. It's a way to bring stories to life," she said.

Some grades made puppets inspired by legends of 'superchildren,' or heroes, and some made wacky puppets, but all made them with their own stamp of individuality.

Hunt, who has taught children's drama and puppetry for 30 years in Hawaii, spoke after her last classroom visit about the value of art and puppetry to children.

Why use puppets in education?

"I think it goes back to the arts. The wonderful thing about art is there's no right or wrong way to do it. You can't misspell it. You can't add or subtract it incorrectly. It really, truly is an individual way for a child to express themselves, and for me, it's all about empowering their belief in themselves and their own abilities.

"Oftentimes children are measured in an academic environment by test scores, and for a child who doesn't test well, for a child who's not academically oriented in their learning processes, art then provides a way to make a statement and find their own place in the micro-community of the classroom."

Why do puppets work so well?

"Everybody loves puppets, and it's a tremendous vehicle for verbal work with children. They will articulate more, say more, express themselves more if they're using a puppet. It just taps into something that's really unique."

Why use puppets in primary grades?

"I believe children at this age need to explore and find out what their own creative potential is, and to experiment and discover. And the more materials and the more opportunities we can give them ... is so beneficial.

"What I care about is the child seeing something they want to use



(Photo by Barbara Johnson)

Dr. Tamara Hunt shows Chelsea Hina, foreground, and Hayli L'Esperance how to make their own puppets during a workshop.

on their puppet and seeing if it works ... It doesn't matter what it looks like. Some are artistically gifted and some come out really, really plain. You have to honor that.

"The younger children knew almost all the songs I was doing, the monkeys, the ducks, some of those things are from books, and it's a way to bring those books to life..."

On Hunt's last day, she made a second visit to the classes, teaching the students how to lip-synch with the puppets, and, dividing the classes in half, so they could perform for each other.

"I would like the children to see how effective the puppets are," she said.

What do you hope to leave here?

Hunt brought to Kwajalein some of the ideas she teaches in her university Puppetry in Early Childhood Education class, where the students are teachers and create the puppets and props to take back to their own classes.

"I'm trying to do something for the children while educating the teachers and the moms. I like the moms to see it too. You never know whose imagination you're going to spark when you do this.

"My goal with this has always been, as an artist, not to leave somebody thinking, 'Oh, I can't do that.' I want them to look at this and say, 'Oh my gosh, that's simple. I can do that. I can make that. I know that song. I've got stuff like that.' That's really what my goal is, so they really feel that they have a grasp on it."

Hunt has been involved in theater in some form since she was in fourth grade, beginning with putting on plays in Girl Scouts.

"I liked to be on stage," she said.

In junior high, she still remembers building a set out of refrigerator boxes for the ballet "The Red Shoes." She also worked at a local community theater, making props, and went to a high school that had a fine arts division, where she was in chorus and drama.

"I lived and breathed theater for my entire high school years," she said.

As for her career direction, "It kind of just happened." At Arizona State University, where she did her undergraduate and master's degree work, she got involved in children's theater. While working on her Ph.D. she became interested in early childhood education.

"It was blending two fields that I really, really loved."

Her work in puppetry began when she took the teaching position at the University of Hawaii, where she teaches both drama activities with children and drama activities for children.

Once a year, she directs a play with college students, showing to an audience of about 8,000.

Hunt also teaches a class in alternative careers, for those who don't plan to teach or become professional puppeteers.

"Students who know drama, theater and puppetry and who understand how children work can work in a variety of fields," she said.

The class visits hotels, Sea Life Park, the zoo and the aquarium.

As for Hunt, "My love is education, and my focus in puppetry is process: How do you use puppets to allow children to develop self-concepts and how do you integrate them into the curriculum?"

For those who saw her at Kwaj, that love of education shows.

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CAFÉ PACIFIC



Lunch

Sat Southwest beans and veggies ★
Spicy pork stir-fry
Breaded chicken cutlet
Grill: Turkey, bacon and cheese

Sun Garden vegetable quiche ★
Honey-glazed ham
Country-fried chicken
Grill: Brunch station open

Mon Brunch station open ★
Beef stroganoff
Cheese manicotti

Tues Baked potato bar ★
Baked pizza
Roast top round
Grill: Ham and Swiss

Wed Fiesta taco bar ★
Savory beef brisket
Lime cilantro mahi mahi
Grill: Sloppy Joes

Thur Chinese bar ★
Country-fried chicken
Beef noodle casserole
Grill: Filet of fish sandwich

Fri Spinach and mushroom lasagna ★
Beef and sausage lasagna
Fish and chips
Grill: Philly steak sandwich
★*This symbol denotes the Wellness menu*

Dinner

Tonight Stir-fry to order ★
Smothered pork chops
Blackened chicken breast
Pizza ★

Sat Korean-style grilled chicken
Shortribs in burgundy

Sun Stir-fry to order ★
Sesame roast pork
Crispy lemon chicken

Mon Tofu vegetable stir-fry ★
Sautéed liver and onions
Oven-smoked turkey

Tues Pesto pasta casserole ★
Veal parmesan
Glazed cornish hen

Wed Eggplant casserole ★
Prime rib au jus
Herbed roast chicken

Thur Italian squash parmesan ★
Chicken Francaise
Braised pork chops

Fri Ono saimin bar ★
Breaded pork cutlet
Teriyaki beef stir-fry
★*This symbol denotes the Wellness menu*

HELP WANTED

The following on-island positions are open with Raytheon. For more information or to submit a resumé or application, call HR employment, Jack Riordan, 54916, unless otherwise noted.

APPLICATIONS are being accepted for the Raytheon Summer Employment Program. We are seeking individuals who enjoy working with children and can help provide a safe, fun learning environment. Adults and students are encouraged to apply. Applications will be accepted through May 18. Applicants selected will be required to support the Summer Fun Program to work as instructors or recreation aides. The first of two Summer Fun sessions begins June 20. Applicants selected may be required to undergo a criminal history background check. Applications can be picked up at the Raytheon Human Resources Office in Building 700. Applicants will be required to fill out a supplemental questionnaire. For more information on the Summer Employment Program, call Jack or Reka, 54916.

COMMODITY SPECIALIST, Supply Dept. Part time. Assist customers with stock material requests, review orders and research items in both federal- and web-based supplier systems. Responsibilities include optimizing stocking levels using material planning requirements and inventorying control techniques in an automated logistics system and determining excess materials for disposal. Must have strong PC and administrative skills and be able to work independently in a fast-paced operation. KEAMS general user experience preferred.

RECREATION AIDE, Small Boat Marina. Part time. Responsible adult to work Sundays, 11:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. Great for active, outdoors individual with boating interest and experience. Call HR, 54916, or Jeff at Small Boat Marina, 53643.

SECRETARY, Education Dept. Full time. Looking for well-qualified, self-motivated individual experienced in Microsoft Word and Excel, office filing systems and basic office organization. Good interpersonal, oral and written skills a must. Selected individual will be required to undergo a criminal history background check.

DENTAL ASSISTANT, Kwajalein Dental Clinic. Casual. Responsibilities include preparing and filling impression materials; cleaning and sterilizing equipment between appointments; exposing, developing and preparing X-rays for review; preparing patient files and recording procedures; as well as other clerical duties. Selected individual will be required to undergo a criminal history background check.

SPORTSWRITER, *Hourglass*. Casual. Submit minimum of three clips to Jim Bennett, Box 23, Local, or at Building 805, second floor, at the *Hourglass* office or e-mail: jbennett@kls.usaka.smcc.army.mil. For more information, call 53539.

Raytheon off-island positions are updated weekly in the Career Opportunities Book at the HR counter, Bldg. 700.

USAKA currently has the following job vacancies. For application information and announcement paperwork, call Cris Foster, 54417.

OFFICE AUTOMATION ASSISTANT, GS-06, term for one year. Closes May 15.

MAIL CLERK, GS-03, temporary for one year, two vacancies. Closes May 10.

SUPERVISORY GENERAL ENGINEER, GS-14. Closes May 6.

WANTED

DONATIONS OF new or used toys for Queen of Peace school's upcoming annual carnival May 10-11. Bring items to Qtrs. 112-C before May 6. For more information, call Amber, 54169, or Noda, 52592.

HOUSE, trailer or BQ-sitting for my mother July 2-17. Responsible non-smoker. Good with pets and plants. I can continue care after she leaves if needed. Call Jenny, 51611.

HOUSE-SITTING situation for visiting mother for June and July. Good with pets and plants. Call Jerry, 52417, after 5 p.m.

TO BORROW: A cassette, CD or video of Costa Rican folk dance and music. Call Rose, 51800.

LOST

SPY POLARIZED glasses, gunmetal gray, scoop-style, March 16. Call 51611.

FOUND

SILVER RING at adult pool. Call 51045, after 5 p.m.

BUZZ LIGHTYEAR shortset with two dot-to-dot books on Lagoon Road; TYR goggles, blue, on basketball court behind the Youth Center. Call 54534.

WRISTWATCH in front of PBQ. Call 53662.

BUCKET of tools and items purchased from Macy's West outside Hobby Shop. Call Julie, 51700.

DISHES and ring left at Father/Daughter dance. Call 52483.

WOMEN'S PRESCRIPTION eyeglasses, tortoise shell, at Emon Beach. Call 53771.

GIVEAWAY

LEXMARK color printer cartridge, 13619HC. Call 52297.

PATIO SALES

SATURDAY, 6:30 a.m.-3 p.m., Qtrs. 131-C (inside). PCS sale.

SATURDAY, 8-10 a.m., Qtrs. 117-F. Two-family sale. Videos, small refrigerator, sewing and craft supplies, clothes, kitchenware. No early birds.

SATURDAY, 1-3 p.m., or (MONDAY, 7-9 a.m. if it rains Saturday), Dome 151. Multi-family sale.

SUNDAY and MONDAY, 8 a.m.-noon, Tr. 611. Household items, video tapes, music CDs, microwave, Snake Eye irons and Callaway drivers, computer desk, VCR, DVD player, vacuum. Max the cat needs a home.

MONDAY, 6:30 a.m.-?, Qtrs. 420-B. Two JVC professional 8mm movie cameras with viewfinder, remote adapter, remote control unit, color coder, video processor; Hypertech II underwater video camera housing; young girl's clothes; many window blinds; toys; bedding; Sony stereo; speargun; fins; Sony Playstation.

MONDAY, 7-10 a.m., Qtrs. 426-A (in back). Webber grill, tabletop ironing board, clothing, Battenburg lace items, dishes, fabric, plants, kitchen items.

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Small Arms Range Notice

The small arms range will be in operation Wednesday, 8 a.m.-noon. Avoid the hazard area shown below.

All watercraft must observe the red flags on the southwest end of the island.



MONDAY, 7 a.m.-noon, Qtrs. 137-F. Multi-family sale. Household items, clothing.

MONDAY, 9 a.m.-noon, Qtrs. 224-B. Videos, clothes, toys, household items, indoor and outdoor, blinds.

FOR SALE

THREE PAIRS of black swim fins, sizes 3-5, 5-7 and 7-9, \$5 each. Call 53759.

DESK WITH two file cabinets; two Adirondack chairs with stools; outside storage bin; hammock and stand; gas grill; bread machine; snow cone machine; sand toys and floaties; wine glasses. Call 52667, after 5 p.m.

BYKABOOSE bike trailer, sturdy plastic, \$50; women's golf clubs with bag and cart, \$50; kids' unicycle with balancing poles, \$20; wicker patio furniture including loveseat, two chairs, coffee table and pads, \$60; kids' guitar with case, \$20; skis, \$20. Call 53227.

MINI-BLINDS; sheer curtains, \$4 each; 8' x 11' pastel rug, \$35; toaster/oven, \$15; small Hibachi grill, \$8; small step stool, \$7; tall ficus tree, \$25. Call 52305.

OFF-WHITE BLINDS for 400-series three-bedroom house, \$5 each or best offer. Call 52280.

LITTLE TYKES white and blue toy chest, extra-large, excellent condition, \$25. Call 51359.

25" COLOR TV with remote, excellent condition, \$200. Call Steve, 54184H or 53331W.

COMPUTER: E-Machines 500Mhz Pentium III, 196 MB RAM, DVD (8x), 17" monitor, 13GB hard drive, 56K modem, \$850 or best offer; CD-RW, \$100; entertainment center, 53" wide x 44" long, \$100; four-drawer dresser and changing table, white with multi-color trim, \$40; mesh baby gate, \$10. Call 52475.

SMALL KITCHEN cabinet, \$30; Pizelle cookie maker, \$5; wafflemaker, \$5; white Christmas lights, \$1 per strand; large L.L. Bean hammock, Kwaj-condition, \$10; rollerblades, size 10, \$35; rollerblades, size 5-6, \$35; black collapsible outdoor chair with bag, \$10; Sega game gear, \$15; Discman with rechargeable battery and two speakers, \$15. Call 52758.

16' HOBIE CAT with life jackets, extra accessories and boat shack, good condition, \$2,000 or best offer. Call 58609 and leave a message.

PLANTS: Hibiscus, plumeria trees, crotons, bougainvillea, desert rose. Call 52426.

27" TV, \$250; canister vacuum cleaner, \$40; booster seat with tray, \$8; ceiling fan, \$20; big wooden storage, \$15. Call 52669 or see at Qtrs. 401-B.

HUNTER GREEN and beige couch, excellent condition, \$600; floor lamp, \$50. Call 51081 and leave a message.

GE DISHWASHER, \$250; loveseat, \$50; aluminum patio set with cushions, paid \$850, will sell for \$200; large microwave, \$100; ceiling fans with lights, \$40; computer desk, \$125; matching desk with file cabinet, \$125; indoor/outdoor blinds, \$10. Call 52584.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

REMOVE ALL STAPLES, nails and tape used to hang decorations on public facilities. Be sure to clean the grounds and facility thoroughly when your event is over. Reserving party will be charged for non-compliance if clean up has to be done by Community Activities. Questions? Call Community Activities, 53331, or CRC, 52491.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP Kosrae trip photos will be on display for the public Thursday, 7:30 p.m., in the REB. There will be reports on the trip and a slide presentation. Refreshments will follow. For more information, call the Chapel Office, 53505.

SMALL BOAT MARINA has begun a 30-minute time limit loading zone on the north dock. This zone should remain open for private boats unless there is someone loading or unloading. This will reduce the reservation spaces from five to four. We have limited space and are doing our best to provide convenience for all. Small Boat Marina will not be responsible for enforcing the 30-minute time limit. Remember not to leave the tractor on the ramp unattended. Make arrangements with someone to help pull your boat out of the water. Rafting up to B-boats is not allowed nor is tying up to them. Private boats are not allowed at the B-boat dock.

THE COMMUNITY is invited to a potluck dinner Monday, May 6, 6 p.m., at the Pacific Club. Bring a dish to share. Paper goods and drinks provided. Come and discuss the forming Hispanic club's interests, membership, ideas and events. We need your support to start the club. Everyone is welcome.

MOPS meets Thursday, 8:45-11 a.m., in the REB. Guest speaker is Shawna Ferstl. Topic is traveling with children. The craft this week is your choice. Group 3 will provide refreshments.

THE COFFEE SHOP presented by the National Honor Society is Sunday, May 5, 6-11 p.m., in the MP room. Come enjoy beverages, food and entertainment.

UMUC INVITES the Kwajalein community to hear an exciting lecture on the history, economics and development of the Pacific Islands and their roles and significance in today's world by Dr. Garretson. The lecture is May 11, 11:45 a.m., in CRC 1. Advance registration for the lecture is required. Call the UMUC office, 52800, or e-mail: fkwajalein@ad.umuc.edu.

ATTENTION SMALL BOAT Marina customers: After you take the boating orientation course, you have one year to complete the licensing process. If you do not get a license within a year, you must retake the class and begin the process again. Questions? Call Sadie, 53464.

KOENIG JABAR tennis courts are reserved for a tennis club social Sunday, 4:30-9:30 p.m. Questions? Call Community Activities, 53331.

In the spotlight

High School Choir and Band Concert Thursday, May 9, 7 p.m., in the MP room.

Student music recital Friday, May 10, 7 p.m. MP room. Performers obtain registration forms from music teachers.

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Dr. Linda Gentle, deputy director of the SMDC Acquisition Center, will give a presentation on mentoring and professional development for women Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., in the MP room. All are welcome.

THE EBEYE STORY, a presentation on the history of Ebeye, is tonight, 7 p.m., in the REB. Guest speaker is Jack Akeang, and several Marshallese elders who experienced history firsthand.

BALLROOM DANCE tickets are going fast. Dont wait, get yours by calling Cris, 52935, Nate, 53578, or Dick, 51684. The dinner/dance is Sunday at the Yokwe Yuk Club. Tickets are \$35 each.

KWAJALEIN HOSPITAL reminds patients to bring their insurance card when they come for services. Proof of insurance is required for the hospital to bill the insurance company directly.

UNITED HEALTHCARE CHECKS may have been sent to you for services at Kwajalein Hospital. If you have received checks, bring them to the hospital cashier so they can be credited to your account.

OB/GYN (women's health physician) will be on island May 8-10. Appointments are limited. To make an appointment, call the hospital appointment desk, 52224.

ATTENTION GOLFERS: Golf course holes adjacent to the runway will be closed after 4 p.m. Monday for the Rustman. Questions? Call Community Activities, 53331.

KWAJALEIN BACHELOR ADVISORY COUNCIL meeting will be Wednesday, May 8, at 1 p.m., in the Adult Recreation Center. The Bachelor Advisory Council has been established in accordance with USAKA Regulation 15-3 to serve in an advisory capacity to the USAKA commander on matters pertaining to island policy and regulations affecting the social and living conditions of bachelors/bachelorettes residing on Kwajalein. Council members from each BQ building are solicited. Unaccompanied personnel wishing to have input into this meeting should contact their representatives. All Kwajalein residents are invited to attend. For additional information, call Community Services, 53400. Kwajalein representatives are as follows: Reef, Marvin Ross; Shell, Joanne Garland; Coral, Sue Rosoff; Palm, Rhonda Longbrake; Sands, Helen Smith and Laurie Palacek; Tropics, Paul Jurek; trailers, Shelley Easter and Cowboy Galloway.

IT'S TIME to submit your photos for the 2003 Kwaj calendar. Bring photos to the Retail Office and sign a release by May 1. For more information, call 53307.

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Community Activities reminds residents that a parent or guardian must accompany anyone under 18 years of age at all R-rated movies showing at Kwajalein theaters. ID is required and you may be asked to show it. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Vet Clinic

requests photos of your pet, *especially* the ones showing your pets and children together.

Digital or prints.
Photos will be returned.
Call 52017, or mail to
Box 591, Local.



Marshallese Phrase of the Day

Emman (a-maan) = It's good.

See you at the movies!

Saturday

Pinocchio (1940, G)

Arguably Disney's richest, most evocative animated classic about an inquisitive puppet who wants nothing more than to be a real-life boy.

Richardson Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Affliction (2001, R)

Portrait of a man whose messed-up life can be laid out at the feet of his abusive father. Nick Nolte stars as the son, a traffic cop in a small, wintry New Hampshire town, trying to stay afloat. (Sissy Spacek, James Coburn) (114 minutes)

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 8 p.m.

Bowfinger (1999, PG-13)

A really, really bad movie director has one last shot to make a good film, but to get the money to make it, he must recruit a top Hollywood action star. (Steve Martin, Eddie Murphy) (97 minutes)

Tradewinds Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday

Bowfinger (1999, PG-13)

Richardson Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Affliction (2001, R)

Tradewinds Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Monday

Pinocchio (1940, G)

Richardson Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Affliction (2001, R)

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 8 p.m.

Dive pavilion construction underway

By Peter Rejcek

Associate Editor

In a couple of more weeks divers won't have to worry about getting their gear dirty if they fancy a night dive in the Ski Area.

A new dive pavilion next to the Ski Area steps along Perimeter Road should be finished by early May, according to Julio Rodriguez, Kwajalein Scuba Club president.

While the pavilion is about the same configuration as the one at Emon Beach, it will sport a different roof design, and will also have a shower and

telephone available.

"Further on, we want to include the members in the construction of the dip tank for the pavilion," Rodriguez said. "We plan for it to be a summer project."

Materials for the project came from a \$5,000 grant by USAKA, using Army Performance Improvement Criteria money the command received last year. The \$2,800 in construction costs are coming from the club's treasury, with Billy Butac and his crew performing the labor.

While the original plans called for volunteer labor to help with construction, Rodriguez said that paying a professional crew to do the job seemed like the best choice, especially after procurement problems delayed the project by four months.

"We plan to have a ribbon-cutting ceremony a few days after May's membership meeting," Rodriguez said. The meeting is scheduled for May 8, and will include the election of new officers.

Rodriguez said FOM helped with the designs and plans of the pavilion, naming Dave Hermsen, Harold Parker, Mark Bradshaw, Jim Landgraff, Glen Gandara and Kathy Black as particularly instrumental in putting the project together.

The ski steps are a popular spot for divers who want to dive a small Japanese trawler sunk in about 40 feet of water.

Divers who dive in this area are reminded that they need to contact the Small Boat Marina or Harbor Control, and also need a dive flag buoy. Night divers must file a dive plan with the Kwajalein Police Department.



(Photo by KW Hillis)

The new dive pavilion next to the Ski Area steps along Perimeter Road is rapidly taking shape thanks to Alex Corcnie and the rest of Billy Butac's construction crew. The work should be done by early May.

WEATHER

Courtesy of Aeromet

Tonight: Partly cloudy with widely scattered showers.

Winds: East at 8 to 14 knots; higher gusts near showers.

Tomorrow: Partly cloudy with isolated showers.

Winds: East-northeast at 8 to 14 knots; higher gusts near showers.

Temperature: Tonight's low 79°
Tomorrow's high 87°

April rain total: 6.39"

Annual rain total: 16.44"

Annual deviation: -1.74"

Call 54700 for continuously updated forecasts and sea conditions.



Sun • Moon • Tides



	Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set	High Tide	Low Tide
Saturday April 27	0635/1859	1908/0627 Full moon	0410, 6.0' 1630, 5.6'	1030, 0.1' 2230, 0.2'
Sunday April 28	0634/1859	2007/0717	0450, 6.1' 1710, 5.4'	1100, 0.1' 2310, 0.3'
Monday April 29	0634/1859	2106/0810	0520, 6.1' 1740, 5.0'	1140, 0.3' 2340, 0.6'
Tuesday April 30	0634/1859	2206/0904	0600, 5.8' 1820, 4.6'	1220, 0.7'